

Talking issues for a meeting with BN

The main issues which might be raised by IL side are the following:

Iran: the need to contain nuclear as well as hegemonic aspirations of Iran, post nuclear deal.

This will include among other points, the Iranian involvement in Syria, Yemen, insurgency in the Emirates and Bahrein.

Syria: what happens, what's the future. how to avoid ISIS/ other extremists, taking over areas close to IL border.

ISIS/ Daesh: in Syria, Sinai. Potential destabilising of Jordan, Saudi Arabia etc. What could be done to suppress it.

Palestinian-Israeli conflict; request for support of IL positions in the UN. Potential RK membership on

UNSC. Explanation of IL positions re Abu Mazen (incitement, refusal to start negotiations with

no preconditions, or refusing to recognise IL as a Jewish state, etc.).

Information re the new

'stabbing Intifada' and blaming Abu Mazen incitement and praising of terrorists, rather than IL

continued building in the West Bank, or Israeli 'occupation'.

Russia: Its intervention in Syria, a cure or a problem ?. Russia-US tensions.

Ukraine. RK assessment

of Russian options and intentions.

China: RK assessment of policies toward the ME and in Central Asia. One Road One Belt, and its

implications to RK, to Iran, to Arab countries, to IL.

On other bi-lateral issues:

Agriculture: IL might suggest Gov to Gov cooperation on IL assistance to RK to develop modern hi-

tech agriculture big farms. as well as food processing industrial plants, to help make RK

a major food source for China, (Russia), and the region.

Medical Centres: cooperation on the building of modern medical centres, nation-wide.

Hi-tech: instruction re how IL Gov, together with Private sector. encouraged the emergence of a

vibrant Hi-Tech Industry and support/guidance in doing the same in RK.

Energy: IL traditionally look for more varied list of crude suppliers.

Tourism: a proposal to open direct flights from Astana, Almaty to IL. And encourage two-ways tourism.

culture: exchange of artists, cultural groups and cultural events would be welcomed..

Jewish community: thanks for the tolerance and support. Hope RK will continue this attitude to

Jewish Community.

Defence: IL side will end up showing interest in continued procurement of IL-made defines products and systems. IL will show cautiousness in regard to technology transfer, but could agree that private IL companies will establish joint ventures in RK, under mutually agreed parameters.

Drones: Generally, an attempt to avoid dealing with it. If raised by the RK side, which is predicted, IL side might show vague hope of being able to solve it, while explaining that IL is limited / constrained by understandings with the US to act only coordinated. It apply less to observation drones. but much more to weapons carrying drones.

Anti Terror operational capability: IL might be ready to cooperate in equipping, guiding, probably training special forces for this purpose. Gov to Gov. But probably also with private IL companies, which might be better.

General Remarks.

(1) Main Purpose of IL side might be to have a positive reporting in IL and world media about the meeting. It makes sense to prepare in advance certain new understandings/ steps to be announced/signed during the visit.

(2) Main importance of RK i for IL is being a strong Muslim country , yet open tolerant and in good relationship with IL.

(3) RK has a justifiable solid position, that keeping RK unique stature, with its advantages to IL has to do with RK being a proud ,influential member of the Muslim Countries Union and having its' Independent positions, shaped by ITS' unique circumstances and strategy. RK, thus keeps its positions which are honest and fair for both/all sides. That what's gives RK its' weight and effectiveness. RK will remain friendly with both sides, yet, critical ,when it comes to the need to move towards better life and fairer opportunities for the PL moderate leadership and people. Both side have to make their efforts to solve problems and make it happen.

(4) On Iran: RK has its' strategic situation and needs which stem from its location and history and those interest swill direct its strategic decisions. Without hurting its' friendship and relationship with IL. Germany, England, Europe and the US, not to mention Russia and China are al opening a new chapter with Iran, while keeping watching Iran's compliance with its commitments according to the deal. So does RK.

(5) In normal times IL could be a source of support in the US. Administration and Congress on many issues . For the time being, at least temporarily, that's not the case.

(6) The people in IL like RK. There is a case to try and think together with IL authorities how to encourage IL business to operate and open joint ventures in RK. There is a need for concrete arrangements, similar to those RK tries to shape with the EU in re to Market Acceptability. IL will be open to approve it relatively fast. For sure ,faster than Europe.